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POW/MIA RECOGNITION DAY: TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 14, 2004

REMINDER!

According to Federal Law, National POW/MIA Recognition Day is to be honored on the third Friday during the month of September. This year it will be observed on Tuesday, September 14, 2004, out of respect for Rosh Hashanah.

National POW/MIA Recognition Day is one of the six days specified by law on which the POW/MIA flag shall be flown over federal facilities and cemeteries, post offices, and military installations.

The following is a Proclamation issued by Governor Arnold Schwarzenegger:

GOVERNOR ARNOLD SCHWARZENEGGER

PROCLAMATION

The history of our nation and the freedoms we enjoy are shaped by the men and women of the armed forces who serve in the line of duty. On POW/MIA Recognition Day, we honor the exceptional fortitude of veterans and active-duty Americans who are or have been prisoners of war or missing in action.

We gratefully recognize our POWs for their strength and sacrifice, and are reminded of those who are unaccounted for or are missing in action today. The families of those missing in action and prisoners of war endure tremendous anguish and uncertainty as they hope and pray for the safe return of their loved ones.

I encourage Californians and citizens throughout the United States to come together in remembrance of these individuals and assert our commitment to locating service members who are missing in action.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, ARNOLD SCHWARZENEGGER, Governor of the State of California, do hereby proclaim September 14, 2004, as "POW/MIA Recognition Day."

IN WITNESS WHEREOF I have here unto set my hand and caused the Great Seat of the State of California to be affixed this 25th day of August 2004.



/s/ Arnold Schwarzenegger

Governor of California

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